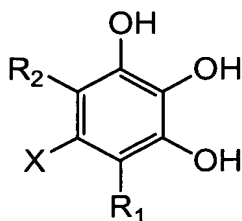


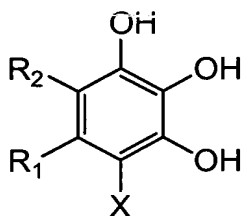
AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraphs beginning on page 7, line 10, through page 8, line 2, as follows:

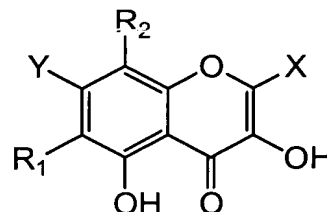
A  
In a first aspect, this invention provides a method of treating amyloidosis in a mammal suffering therefrom, comprising administration to the mammal of a therapeutically effective amount of an isolated pure compound selected from the group consisting of the compounds of formula A, formula B, formula C, formula D, and formula E:



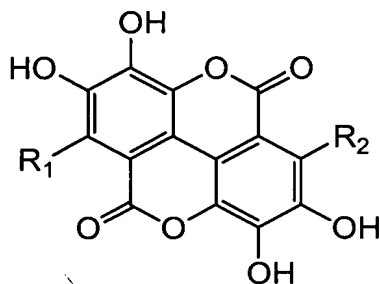
Formula A



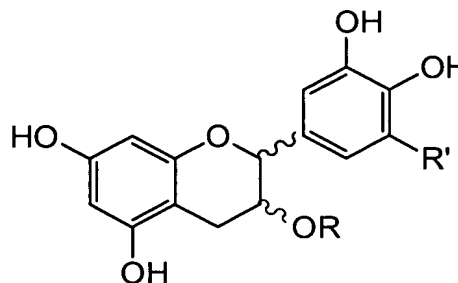
Formula B



Formula C



Formula D



Formula E

where:

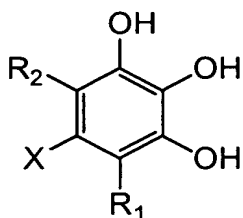
R is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, 2,3-dihydroxybenzoyl, 3,4-dihydroxybenzoyl, ~~2,3,4-trihydroxybenzoyl~~ 2,3,4-trihydroxybenzoyl, and 3,4,5-trihydroxybenzoyl;

Please amend the paragraph on page 10, lines 3-11, as follows:

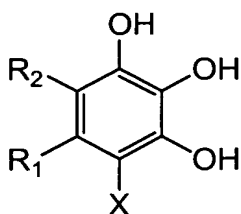
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In a third aspect, this invention provides a method of treating a disease characterized by  $\alpha$ -synuclein fibril formation in a mammal suffering therefrom, comprising administration to the mammal of a therapeutically effective amount of an

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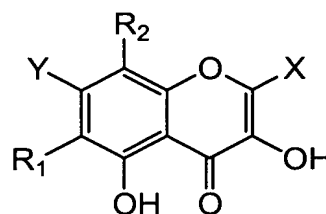
isolated pure compound selected from the group consisting of the compounds of formula A, formula B, formula C, formula D, and formula E:



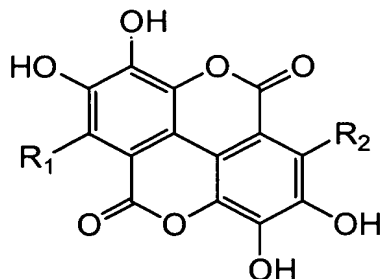
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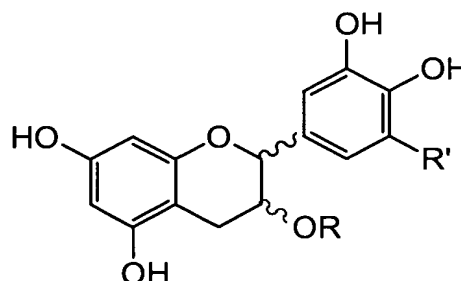
Formula B



Formula C



Formula D



Formula E

where:

R is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, 2,3-dihydroxybenzoyl, 3,4-dihydroxybenzoyl, 2,3,4-trihydroxybenzoyl, 2,3,4-trihydroxybenzoyl, and 3,4,5-trihydroxybenzoyl;

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**Please amend the paragraphs beginning on page 16, lines 25-29, as follows:**

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The therapeutic ratio of a compound can be determined, for example, by comparing the dose that gives effective anti-fibril (anti-amyloid or ~~anti- $\alpha$ -synuclein~~ anti- $\alpha$ -synuclein) activity in a suitable *in vivo* model in a suitable animal species such as the mouse, with the dose that gives significant weight loss (or other observable side-effects) in the test animal species.

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